



**McHenry County Workforce Investment Board Meeting**  
**Wednesday, March 21, 7:30 AM**  
**McHenry County Workforce Network Center**  
**500 Russel Court, Woodstock, IL 60098**  
**Conference Room 1**

**1. Call to Order**

**1.1 Roll Call**

- WIB Chairman Dave Niehus presided over the meeting. He called the meeting to order at approximately 7:30AM.
- Kerrie Johnson took the roll call, and a membership quorum was present.

**2. Public Comments – Dave Niehus**

- Dave asked if there were any comments / questions from the public, there were none.

**3. County Strategic Plan Presentation – Scott Hartman**

- Scott presented information about the County's Strategic Plan that was adopted in August of 2017. He mentioned that you could view and track the goals of the Strategic Plan on the county website at [www.mchenrycountyil.gov](http://www.mchenrycountyil.gov).

**4. Consent Agenda (VOTE) – Dave Niehus**

- Dave asked if there were any changes and or comments to the consent agenda. There were 2 changes to the 1/17/18 WIB Meeting minutes that were distributed as part of the consent agenda.
  1. Mary Donner was absent
  2. Changed the word recluse to recuse
    - Motion to approve made by Sandra Pierce
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mary Donner
    - All in favor

**5. One Stop Operator (VOTE) – Jeffery Poynter**

- Jeff explained that we had to go back out to bid for the One Stop Operator because our original RFP did not have a dollar amount included. A taskforce was assembled and a new RFP was sent out and posted, including in the newspaper. We received one response back from a consortium model consisting of MCWN, IDES and MCC. The taskforce met to review the RFP and it is their recommendation that the board approve it. Jeff stated that we should do a roll call vote.
  - Motion to approve made by Mary Margaret Maule
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kurt Beier
  - **In favor:** Bobbie Baehne, Kay Bates by Proxy, Kurt Beier, Mary Donner, Jennifer Hall by Proxy, Paul Harms by Proxy, Jenna Holzberg by Proxy, Brian Johnson, Bob Lueders, Maria Martinez-McKinley by Proxy, Jim McConoughey by Proxy, Derik Morefield, Dave Niehus, Olga Ortiz, Robert Passerella, Sandra Pierce, Gary Reese, Don Wallin, Rhonda Wood
  - **Recuse:** Julio Capeles, Julie Courtney, Terri Berryman

- **Motion Approved**

**6. Youth Policy Changes – Julie Courtney**

- Julie explained that she would like a couple of volunteers to look over the current policy and make changes. She stated that this wouldn't take place until April. Kurt Beier and Mary Margaret Maule volunteered.

**7. DC Trip Update – Jeffery Poynter / Sandy Pierce**

Jeff stated that Dave Niehus, Julie Courtney and himself would be traveling to Washington DC for the National Association of Workforce Boards (NAWB) Forum on 3/24 through 3/27. He stated that they have meetings set up with all of the local legislators on the hill to discuss Workforce Needs. Sandy Pierce also just got back from Washington DC. She stated that her trip went very well although it was extremely fast paced trying to meet with everyone. She said that everyone was very receptive to working with manufacturers.

**8. Workforce Development Week – Jeffery Poynter**

- Jeff stated that Workforce Development Week is going to be the week before Labor Day. He wanted to put together a task force to brainstorm and come up with ideas for the center to celebrate during that week. The following volunteered for the taskforce: Mary Margaret Maule, Doug Martin, and Sally Fleming-Soland. He stated that he would reach out to them shortly to discuss.

**9. Success Recognition – Jeffery Poynter**

- The center success stories for last year were included for everyone to read. Jeff mentioned that it might be nice to do something local for our customer successes to recognize their achievements.

**10. WIB Member Recognition – Dave Niehus**

- Dave thanked everyone for their time on the board and stated how much it is appreciated. He also recognized the following people for multiple years of service:
  - 5 Years - Mary Donner, Maria Martinez-McKinley and Don Wallin
  - 6 Years – Paul Harms, Brian Johnson, Olga Ortiz
  - 9 Years – Kurt Beier, David Niehus
  - 12 years - Julie Courtney
  - 18 Years - Derik Morefield
  - 40 Years - Sandra Pierce

**11. Other Business – Dave Niehus**

- Kerrie stated that the Statement of Economic Interest forms were emailed out to everyone. A reminder link should be coming shortly. The email comes from [ecointerest@mchenry.il.us](mailto:ecointerest@mchenry.il.us). It is important that these are filled out before they start imposing fines.
- Terri Berryman and Julie Courtney mentioned that they are working on an IL Pipeline Grant. The grant will focus on Advanced Manufacturing and IT. They are seeking letters of support from local employers who will be interested in the program. They stated that the bulk of the money will support employee wages and training. Olga, Don and Sandy said they were interested and would complete a letter of support.

**12. Next Meeting:** May 16, 2018; 7:30AM; McHenry County Workforce Network Center

**13. Meeting Adjourned 8:30am**

Attendance	
Name	Representing / Agency
1. Bobbi Baehne	Think Big Go Local
2. Dave Niehus for Kay Bates	McHenry County Board
3. Kurt Beier	First Institute
4. Julio Capeles – Delgado	McHenry County College
5. Julie Courtney	McHenry County Workforce Network
6. Mary Donner	Pace
7. Dr. Terri Berryman for Dr. Clinton Gabbard	MCC
8. Dave Niehus for Jennifer Hall	Mercyhealth
9. Dave Niehus for Paul Harms	Harms Grain Equipment
10. Julianne Lambert for Jenna Holzberg	National Able
11. Brian Johnson	IBEW
12. Bob Lueders	Radicom
13. Sally Fleming-Soland for Maria Martinez-McKinley	DRS
14. Mary Margaret Maule	Crystal Lake Chamber of Commerce
15. Derik Morefield	City of McHenry
16. David Niehus	CRV Electronics
17. Olga Ortiz	Berry Global
18. Robert Passerella	McHenry County Building Trades
19. Sandra Pierce	Phoenix Woodworking
20. Gary Reese	Heartland Cabinets
21. Dave Niehus for Jean Schober	MCEDC
22. Don Wallin	Joule Technologies
23. Rhonda Wood	DHS
24. <b>Others / Guests</b>	
25. Scott Hartman	McHenry County
26. Thom Faber	MCWN
27. Jeffery Poynter	MCWNB
28. Kerrie Johnson	MCWNB
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